

of the Bulge in Belgium. In the Alsace Lorraine Sector of France, his unit fired across the Rhine into Germany and kicked the last Germans out of France. His 898th Division was awarded the French Coat of Arms for the Battle of the Colmar, one of the highest awards bestowed by France. After fighting in Holland, the 898th Division entered Germany, crossed the Rhine, and continued heavy fighting until the end of the war. His unit then began policing duty in Germany as the war ended in Europe.

The bravery of Mr. Morris and his fellow men and women of the United States Army is heroic. Because of the courage of individuals from Owingsville and from all across our great nation, our freedoms have been saved for our generation and for future generations. He is truly an outstanding American, a patriot, and a hero to us all.

HONORING REVEREND REGINALD BUCKLEY

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant, Pastor Reginald Buckley, who says that faith is about more than just Sunday morning worship—it seeps into daily life, economics and education.

Pastor Reginald Buckley, was born and raised in Jackson, where his father pastored at Cade Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, which held its first worship service in 1880. “It has historically and continues to have an eye toward social empowerment,” he says.

Following his graduation from Lanier High School in 1990, he went to Tougaloo College and received a bachelor's degree in English. He attended graduate school at the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana and earned a master of arts degree in English literature in 1996.

For nine years, Buckley served as senior pastor of Second Baptist Church in Danville, Ill. While there, he also became president of the Illiana Christian Association and helped create relationships between congregations across Illinois and Indiana of different racial backgrounds.

In 2007, he brought all his experiences back home to Jackson and Cade Chapel, where he became executive pastor. And with those experiences, he brought a plan. “My vision is that we really begin to affirm the dignity of all humanity, that we value all of Jackson and that value is demonstrated in how we treat and provide for all,” Pastor Buckley says. “Class is not what colors us, and we are all bound together in this experience we call humanity.” His forward thinking afforded him the position of Dean of Christian Education for the General Missionary Baptist State Convention of Mississippi, and gave him opportunities to preach and teach across the nation.

Pastor Buckley, a Kellogg Foundation fellow, wants to help people in practical and tangible ways; the most recent product being Cade Courtyard, an apartment complex for seniors in the Viriden Addition community. The church has more plans for development in the area that include single-family housing and mixed-retail developments.

Along with his wife, Lecretia Buckley, he has two children: Jonathan and Anna.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Reverend Reginald Buckley for his dedication to serving others.

HONORING ROBERT OLIVIERI, PAST PRESIDENT OF PSAR

HON. JUAN VARGAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mr. VARGAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Robert Olivieri, the outgoing President of the Pacific Southwest Association of REALTORS, for his outstanding leadership in the South Bay region of San Diego County.

Robert Olivieri was born in Providence, Rhode Island and has been a resident of Chula Vista and Bonita for the past 30 years. Robert graduated from the University of Michigan with a B.S. in Engineering and went on to earn an MBA in Finance from the University of Phoenix. Robert holds a California Real Estate Broker's License, a California Insurance Broker's License, a Series 7 Securities License, and has been in the real estate business for over 29 years.

Robert has been an active broker and manager for several real estate offices in South San Diego County. Robert served the Pacific Southwest Association of REALTORS (PSAR) as their 2014 President. During his tenure, he focused on membership recruitment and retention, while also providing useful resources for members' professional and personal growth. Robert has also served PSAR on their Board of Directors, as a California Association of REALTORS State Director, and as a member of the Community Involvement Committee and the Merger Steering Committee. Robert has been ranked by real estate tracking agencies as one of the top house selling agents and in the top 7% of agents who sell homes for top dollar.

Robert and his wife, Marcia, are very involved in their community and help support Bonita Vista High School and Corpus Christi Parish.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT PITTENGER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mr. PITTENGER. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Votes # 264, 265, 266 and 267, I am not recorded because I was absent from the U.S. House of Representatives. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner.

On Roll Call # 264. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY.

On Roll Call # 265. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY.

On Roll Call # 266. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY.

On Roll Call # 267. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

INTRODUCTION STATEMENT: HANDGUN TRIGGER SAFETY ACT

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to introduce today with Sen. ED MARKEY the Handgun Trigger Safety Act—critical legislation to prevent accidental gun deaths. Based on legislation first proposed by my friend and former colleague Rep. John Tierney, I am humbled to continue this important effort to advance life-saving technology.

Personalized “smart gun” technology allows gun owners to designate authorized users who can operate the firearm while rendering it inoperable for all others. This technology prevents use by criminals who steal handguns as well as unintentional use by children.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that 591 Americans died from a firearm accident in 2011, including 74 children under 15 years old. The Personalized Handgun Safety Act would promote the adoption of technology we know can prevent these tragedies.

The Handgun Trigger Safety Act would mandate that within five years all newly manufactured handguns use personalized technology and within ten years all handguns sold or transferred are retrofitted with personalized “smart gun” technology. In addition, the bill would also provide for grants through the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) to continue to develop and improve handgun personalization technology to simultaneously increase efficacy and decrease cost.

These new measures will make great strides in preventing accidental gun deaths by helping keep guns out of the wrong hands.

I hope my colleagues will join me to support this important effort.

HONORING MR. ESSIE FROST

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a young leader in his school who has raised the bar for students coming behind him, Mr. Essie Frost from Charleston High School in Tallahatchie County.

Charleston High School operates under the authority of the East Tallahatchie School District. The school district is a small one like many throughout my district. Nonetheless, and somehow they are able to make acceptable things happen despite having limited resources, which brings me to the reason why I want to recognize this young man. Ms. Melissa Faulkner, his teacher, has mentored, taught, and watched him grow to the point where he always made good decisions throughout high school, but in his senior year, he rose to a new height. That's commendable as a young person.

We all have the ability to make a positive difference in life. Essie took the optimistic approach to helping his small school. He set